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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PDIP, MASS, NG
SUBJ: VISIT OF FOREIGN MINISTER DJERMAKOYE TO DEPT. OF STATE

REF: STATE 147646

1. FORMIN DJERMAKOYE WARMLY PRAISED HIS STATE DEPARTMENT
RCEPTION ON TUESDAY, MAY 30. HE WAS PARTICULARLY APPRECIATIVE
OF HIS MEETINGS WITH AF/W DIRECTOR SMITH, ASSISTANT SECRETARY
MOOSE AND UNDER SECRETARY NEWSOM. HE ACCEPTED NATO BUSINESS
AS SUFFICIENT REASON NOT TO HAVE BEEN RECEIVED BY THE
SECRETARY OF STATE. HIS RECOLLECTION OF CONVERSATIONS WITH
THE DEPARTMENT CORRESPONDED EXACTLY WITH CONTENTS OF
REFTEL. HE COMPLETELY UNDERSTOOD PROBLEMS PRESENTED BY
NIGER REQUEST FOR FMS CREDITS AND ALTHOUGH DISTRESSED BY THE
PROSPECTS OF A TWO-YEAR INTERVAL BEFORE CONSIDERATION AND
POSSIBLE REJECTION, HE WAS HEARTENED BY UNANIMOUS EXECUTIVE
SUPPORT OF NIGERS APPLICATION.

2. FORMIN ESTABLISHED THAT NIGER WOULD SEEK ALTERNATIVE
MEANS OF FINANCING. SPECIFICALLY, GON WILL ASK SAUDI
ARABIA FOR THE \$55 MILLION NEEDED TO FINANCE THIS PACKAGE,
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BUT IN THE EEANTIME NIGER WISHES TO PROCESS THE APPLICATION
FOR FMS CREDITS. HE IS OPTIMISTIC THAT SAUDI ARABIA WILL
GRANT THE REQUEST AND THEREBY ADVANCE DELIVERY DATE OF
AIRCRAFT.

3. AS FAR AS POSSIBLE TO DETERMINE, THIS WAS FIRST TIME
THAT DJERMAKOYE HAD BEEN RECEIVED BY DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS

AT THE LEVELS OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY AND ABOVE. HE WAS EFFUSIVE IN HIS PRAISE WHICH HE GRATITUITOUSLY EXTENDED TO THE "GOOD TEAM" AT POST. HE INDICATED THAT THE CHIEF OF STATE , SEYNI KOUNTCHE, WAS VERY SATISFIED. THE FALL-OUT OF THIS MEETING SEEMS TO BE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE CHECKS AND BALANCES THAT EXIST IN OUR SYSTEM OF GOVERNMENT. THIS IS REFLECTED IN ALMOST IDENTICAL COMMENTS MADE BY THE FOREIGN MINISTER AND THE CHIEF OF STATE RESPECTIVELY DURING SEPARATE MEETINGS WITH DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY DALLEY AND MS. HOLLOWAY(REPORTED REFTEL), TO THE EFFECT THAT THE UNITED STATES SHOULD "UNTIE THE HANDS" OF THE PRESIDENT. ALTHOUGH THE GOVERNMENT OF NIGER HAS BEEN GENERALLY AWARE OF THE GROWING INVOLVEMENT OF THE CONGRESS IN FOREIGN AFFAIRS, THIS AWARENESS HAS BEEN CONSIDERABLY SHARPENED BY THE KMLWLEDGE THAT EVEN A FAVORABLE EXECUTIVE CANNOT GUARANTEE EXTENSION OF FMS CREDITS.JAMES

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